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QUARANTINE AND REGULATIONS

§ 301.91 Quarantine and regulations; restrictions on interstate movement of regulated articles. 1

(a) Quarantines and regulations. The secretary of agriculture hereby quarantines the State of Maine in order to prevent the artificial spread of European larch canker, Lachnellula willkommi (Dasycypha), a dangerous plant disease of trees of the Larix and Pseudolarix species not hereto fore widely prevalent or distributed within and throughout the United States; and hereby establishes regulations governing the interstate movement of regulated articles specified in §301.91-2

(b) Restrictions on interstate movement of regulated articles. No common carrier or other person shall move interstate from any regulated area any regulated article except in accordance with the conditions prescribed in this subpart.

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§301.91-1 Definitions.

Terms used in the singular form in this subpart shall be construed as the plural and vice versa, as the case may demand. The following terms, when used in this subpart, shall be construed, respectively, to mean:

Certificate. A document which is issued for a regulated article by an inspector or by a person operating under a compliance agreement, and which represents that such article is eligible for interstate movement in accordance with §301.91–5(a).

Compliance agreement. A written agreement between Plant Protection and Quarantine and a person engaged in the business of growing, handling, or moving regulated articles, wherein the person agrees to comply with the provisions of this subpart and any conditions imposed pursuant thereto.

Deputy Administrator. The Deputy Administrator of the Animal and Plant

Health Inspection Service for Plant Protection and Quarantine, or any officer or employee of the Department to whom authority to act in his/her stead has been or may hereafter be delegated.

European larch canker. The plant disease known as European larch canker, Lachnellula willkommi (Dasycypha), in any stage of development.

Infestation. The presence of European larch canker or the existence of circumstances that make it reasonable to believe that the European larch canker is present.

Inspector. Any employee of Plant Protection and Quarantine, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or other person, authorized by the Deputy Administrator in accordance with law to enforce the provisions of the quarantines and regulations in this subpart.

Interstate. From any State into or through any other State.

Limited permit. A document which is issued for a regulated article by an inspector or by a person operating under a compliance agreement, and which represents that such regulated article is eligible for interstate movement in accordance with § 301.91–5(b).

Moved (movement, move). Shipped, offered for shipment to a common carrier, received for transportation or transported by a common carrier, or carried, transported, moved, or allowed to be moved or caused to be moved by any means. "Movement" and "move" shall be construed accordingly.

Person. Any individual, partnership, corporation, company, society, association, or other organized group.

Plant Protection and Quarantine. The organizational unit within the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, delegated responsibility for enforcing provisions of the Plant Protection Act and regulations.

Regulated area. Any State, or any portion thereof, listed in §301.91-3(c) or otherwise designated as a regulated area in accordance with §301.91-3(b).

Regulated article. Any article listed in $\S 301.91-2(a)$ or otherwise designated as a regulated article in accordance with $\S 301.91-2(b)$.

¹Any properly identified inspector is authorized to stop and inspect persons and means of conveyance, and to seize, quarantine, treat, apply other remedial measures to, destroy, or otherwise dispose of regulated articles as provided in sections 414, 421, and 434 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714, 7731, and 7754).

State. Each of the several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United States and all other Territories and Possessions of the United States.

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§301.91-2 Regulated articles.

The following are regulated articles:

- (a) Logs, pulpwood, branches, twigs, plants, scion and other propagative material of the *Larix* or *Pseudolarix* spp. except seeds:
- (b) Any other product, article, or means of conveyance, of any character whatsoever, not covered by paragraph (a) of this section, when it is determined by an inspector that it presents a risk of spread of European larch canker and the person in possession thereof has actual notice that the product, article or means of conveyance is subject to the restrictions in the quarantine and regulations.

§301.91-3 Regulated areas.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the Deputy Administrator shall list as a regulated area in paragraph (c) of this section, the State, or any portion thereof, in which European larch canker has been found by an inspector or in which the Deputy Administrator has reason to believe that European larch canker is present, or any portion of a quarantined State which the Deputy Administrator deems necessary to regulate because of its proximity to a European larch canker infestation or its inseparability for quarantine enforcement purpose from localities in which European larch canker occurs. Less than an entire quarantined State will be designated as a regulated area only if the Deputy Administrator determines that:
- (1) The State has adopted and is enforcing a quarantine or regulation which imposes restrictions on the intrastate movement of the regulated articles which are substantially the same as those which are imposed with respect to the interstate movement of such articles under this subpart; and

- (2) The designation of less than the entire State as a regulated area will otherwise be adequate to prevent the artifical interstate spread of European larch canker.
- (b) The Deputy Administrator or an inspector may temporarily designate any nonregulated area in a quarantined State as a regulated area in accordance with the criteria specified in paragraph (a) of this section for listing such area. Written notice of such designation shall be given to the owner or person in possession of such nonregulated area, and, thereafter, the interstate movement of any regulated article from such area shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this subpart. As soon as practicable, such area shall be added to the list in paragraph (c) of this section or such designation shall be terminated by the Deputy Administrator or an inspector, and notice thereof shall be given to the owner or person in possession of the area.
- (c) The areas described below are designated as regulated areas:

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Hancock County. The entire townships of Gouldsboro, Serrento, Sullivan, Winter Harbor, 7th Southern Division, 9th Southern Division, 10th Southern Division, and 16th Middle Division.

Knox County. The entire townships of Appleton, Camden, Cushing, Friendship, Hope, Owls Head, Rockland City, Rockport, South Thomaston, St. George, Thomaston, Union, Warren, and Washington.

Lincoln County. The entire townships of Alna, Boothbay Harbor, Bremen, Bristol, Damariscotta, Edgecomb, Jefferson, Newcastle, Nobleboro, Somerville, Southport, Waldoboro, Westport, and Wiscassett.

Waldo County. The entire townships of Lincolnville and Searsmont.

Washington County. The entire townships of Addison, Baring, Beals, Calais City, Centerville, Charolotte, Cherryfield, Columbia, Columbia Falls, Cooper, Cutler, Debolis, Dennysville, East Machias, Eastport, Edmunds, Harrington, Jonesboro, Jonesport, Machias, Machiasport, Marion. Meddybemps, Milbridge, Marshfield. Northfield, Plantation 14, Pembroke, Perry, Robbinston, Roque Bluffs, Steuben, Trescott, Whiting, Whitneyville, 18th Eastern Division, 18th Middle Division, and 19th Middle Division.

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